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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROYUKI SUGIUCHI

Application No.: 09/787,393

Filed: March 19, 2001

For: METHOD FOR FRACTIONAL  
DETERMINATION OF  
CHOLESTEROL IN  
LIPOPROTEINS AND A  
REAGENT THEREFOR

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Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicants respond to the Official Action dated February 12, 2002 (Paper No. 6) in the above-identified application, as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓  
Please cancel claims 10, 11, 13 and 16.

✓  
Please amend Claims 12, 15 and 27 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of these claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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12. (Twice Amended) The method according to any one of claims (5) or (6), wherein the reagent enabling CH enzymes to act only on cholesterol in HDL is a reagent for aggregating lipoproteins other than HDL.